

Public Service Commission of South Carolina
Clerk's Office
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To the Commission:

As a recent returnee to Columbia, getting our utilities taken care of was a matter of the first order. I had been informed by the previous owner of the monthly charge for sewer service was \$52.10. This was a bit of a shock, since our bill from Gilbert-Summit Rural Water District was often that or less for both water and sewer.

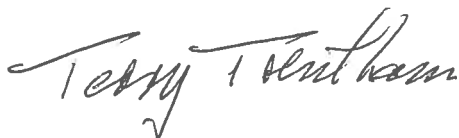
Now in our third week back in Richland County we receive notice that the \$52.10 each month is not even enough to keep Palmetto Utilities afloat for their one service.

Perhaps a consultant from Gilbert-Summit could be of some help. Perhaps salaries for top management are too high. Just speculation on my part. I would certainly be interested in why they are unable to make the numbers work charging what they are charging now.

It would be heartening to hear that the Commission had denied their request for any increase whatsoever. Would the City be interested in purchasing this company?

Respectfully,

Terry Trentham

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